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**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MONTANA
MISSOULA DIVISION**

WILDERNESS WATCH; ALLIANCE)
FOR THE WILD ROCKIES; FRIENDS)
OF THE WILD SWAN; and)
FLATHEAD-LOLO-BITTERROOT) CV-21-82-M-DLC
CITIZEN TASK FORCE, and)
CONSERVATION CONGRESS)
Plaintiffs,) **PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR**
v.) **TEMPORARY RESTRAINING**
LEANNE MARTEN, Regional) **ORDER AND PRELIMINARY**
Forester of Region One of the U.S.) **INJUNCTION**
Forest Service, and US FOREST)
SERVICE,)
Defendants.)

Plaintiffs respectfully move this Court for a temporary restraining order and/or preliminary injunction against implementation of the North Fork Blackfoot River Fish Project. A preliminary injunction is necessary at this time because Project activities may commence as soon as August 1, 2021, and this Court has not yet had the opportunity to review the merits of the case. A preliminary injunction is warranted in this case because the public interest and balance of equities tip in Plaintiffs' favor, the Project presents the threat of imminent and irreparable harm to Plaintiffs' interests, and Plaintiffs have raised serious questions on the merits. Plaintiffs file a brief in support of this motion. This motion is filed at the outset of this case, and is being served on the US Attorney's office.

Respectfully submitted this 22nd Day of July, 2021,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that I served a true and accurate copy of this document via email attachment on July 22, 2021 on the following:

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